



**INTERPRETATIONS & APPLICATIONS  
OF BUILDING CODES & REGULATIONS #92-2**

**CODE SECTION : IBC Section 106**

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**SUBJECT : BUILDING PLANS AND COPYRIGHT LAW**

City approved building plans are a part of public record and as such may be viewed and inspected by the general public.

Copies, tracings or photographs of plans are not permitted without the consent of the design professional who signed the plans (copyright owner) or by court order. Plans need not bear any particular seal or distinguishing mark to have copyright protection.

The owner of a building or structure may or may not have the copyright to the plans. The owner may have the right to possess a copy of the plans, but not the copyright. A transfer of copyright must be in writing.